

Subject: Re: Encampment cleanings and sidewalk disinfection

From: Elena Stern <elena.stern@lacity.org>

Date: 10/5/20, 10:35 AM

To: Sarah Bell <sarah.bell@lacity.org>

OK. How long do you think for the responses? It will be good to update -- or do a variation of -- my boilerplate.....below.

Since the City Council action earlier this summer, LASAN's CARE+ program has been undergoing trial test run comprehensive cleanings at A Bridge Home Service Enhancement Zones. These modified cleanings are intended to determine the most compassionate and comprehensive way to maintain public health, prevent the spread of coronavirus infection, and keep our streets as clean as possible.

LASAN will return to Council with recommended protocols upon completion of the test runs in the coming weeks. With the exception of these Zones, LASAN continues to do only spot cleanings throughout the City.

The comprehensive cleanings, which are tailored to each location, include power washing and sanitizing the area, and trash removal. But beyond the cleanings, the City also provides an array of other services: Mobile Hygiene Unit (showers, toilets, sinks), clean clothes following a shower, first aid care, COVID testing by the LAFD, tent exchanges, and the distribution of Personal Protective Equipment, hand sanitizer and toiletry items, such as toothbrushes and toothpaste.

The goal of these trial cleanings, again, is to establish guidelines for how best to provide public health and safety for all Angelenos, including the unhoused.

On Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at 10:32 AM Sarah Bell <sarah.bell@lacity.org> wrote:

Let me talk to him. I think maybe those requests should come to the division and allow us to run to through Exec so that maybe we can plead our case internally.

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On Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at 10:13 AM Elena Stern <elena.stern@lacity.org> wrote:

Thanks! I wish Enrique would assign to Gabe rather than Pepe, who is not always on message....

On Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at 10:04 AM Sarah Bell <sarah.bell@lacity.org> wrote:

Yes, let me answer all of these based on what's been going on lately.

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On Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at 9:54 AM Elena Stern <elena.stern@lacity.org> wrote:

So I have the standard response we have been using but not sure about Skid Row and DTLA? I'm assuming we have resumed at El Pueblo but I'm not aware of any other ABH shelters in Skid Row? Please add what you can.....

Thanks!

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From: **Grover, Joel (NBCUniversal, KNBC)** <Joel.Grover@nbcuni.com>
Date: Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at 9:45 AM
Subject: Encampment cleanings and sidewalk disinfection
To: Elena Stern (elena.stern@lacity.org) <elena.stern@lacity.org>

Hi Elena,

I hope you're hanging in there.

A few questions:

When did the city stop doing CARE team and OHS cleanups because of the pandemic?

I know clean up were resumed in San Pedro but am told they have stopped. Please confirm.

Are there any other areas where CARE or OHS cleanups have been done during the pandemic?

Does the city have any plans to resume CARE and OHS cleanups? If so, when and where?

Has the city done any disinfecting of sidewalks and/or streets in the Skid Row and DTLA areas in recent months? If so, when and where?

I'd like to interview someone from BOS about this subject in the next few days. I can be flexible.

Regards,

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